



L. Kent  
4-21-03  
#25/G  
PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application of:	)	<u>Group Art Unit:</u> 3722
	)	
Wittich KAULE <i>et al.</i>	)	<u>Examiner:</u> E. Cadugan
	)	
Serial Number: 09/147,398	)	<u>Attorney Docket:</u> KAUL 3002
	)	
Filed: December 17, 1998	)	<u>Confirmation No.:</u> 1669

For: A METHOD OF REPRODUCING EMBOSSING PLATES

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE  
(Filed Concurrently With Request For Continued Examination  
Under 37 CFR §1.114 (RCE))

Honorable Assistant Commissioner For Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

RECEIVED

MAR 27 2003

TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

Sir:

This paper is in response to the Official Action dated October 22, 2002.

A petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time and Request for Continued Examiner together with the appropriate fees accompanies this response so that it is timely filed.

Kindly amend the application in accordance with the following particulars:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel ~~claims 3 and 39~~, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend ~~claims 1, 20, 24, and 28~~, as indicated by the clean copy in Appendix A and the marked-up copy in Appendix B, attached hereto, and add new claim 43 as presented in Appendix A.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the following paragraphs, as indicated by the clean copies of the amended paragraphs in Appendix C, and the marked-up copies of the amended paragraphs in Appendix D, attached hereto:

# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: WITTICH KAULE ET AL.

SERIAL NO.: 09/147,398

GROUP ART UNIT: 3722

EXAMINER: E. Cadugan

ATTY. REFERENCE: KAUL3002/JEK/BEU

FILED: December 17, 1998

TITLE: METHOD FOR REPRODUCING EMBOSSED PLATES

THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication/amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.

The fee, if any, has been calculated as shown below:

Fee Basis	Number of Claims After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Small Entity	Full Fee
Total Claims		<sup>1</sup>	<sup>3</sup>	× \$ 9 =	× \$ 18 =
Independent Claims		<sup>2</sup>	<sup>3</sup>	× \$ 40 =	× \$ 80 =
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Proper Multiple Dependent Claim				+ \$135 =	+ \$270 =
<b>TOTAL</b>					

<sup>1</sup> If less than 20 enter 20.

<sup>2</sup> If less than 3 enter 3.

<sup>3</sup> If less than 0 enter 0.

- ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account Number 02-0200 in the amount of \$ . A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ is attached.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication, including fees due under 37 CFR 1.16 and 37 CFR 1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 02-0200. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
- ☒ Also enclosed is/are: APPENDIX A (CLEAN COPY OF AMENDED AND NEW CLAIMS); APPENDIX B (MARKED UP COPY OF AMENDED CLAIMS); APPENDIX C (CLEAN COPY OF AMENDED PARAGRAPH); APPENDIX D (MARKED UP COPY OF AMENDED PARAGRAPHS); REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION; INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT; PTO-1449 WITH FOUR REFERENCES; TWO-MONTH PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME; CHECK \$1,160

RECEIVED


MAR 27 2003

TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

BACON & THOMAS, PLLC  
625 SLATERS LANE - FOURTH FLOOR  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22312-1176  
(703) 683-0500

DATE: March 24, 2003

Respectfully submitted,

  
BENJAMIN E. URCLIA  
Attorney for Applicant  
Registration Number: 33,805